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in the production agriculture sector?

SENATOR CONNEALY: Well, it would be difficult to do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, why do you want to start out with contention, when you're trying to put together an outfit that is supposed to formulate a unified policy? It's "impossurous." That's what would be said by the rhinoceros. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Kopplin.

SENATOR KOPPLIN: Thank you. Members of the body, there's always some merit in a study, and knowledge is of infinite value, but when you really look at this, at this bill, there are numerous, numerous problems. Certainly the makeup of the committee is a problem. It's going to be biased, to begin with, one way or another, whoever appoints. It's also...you have to consider it as a completely voluntary committee. Those with expertise in tax law and tax policy are not going to serve on this committee. It's a freebie committee. This committee will end up with no expertise in tax at all. And simply saying, well, you know, we all pay taxes; that we're experts. doesn't work that way. And it's a very short-term committee. The report is due back in November. You could spend a whole year talking about property taxes itself, because how can you talk about property tax without going into the whole system of valuation, and who gets the tax breaks, and why should farm property be at 80 percent and business at 90 percent, and it goes on and on? This is a complete year study. And you can't, you can't spend a year talking about property tax without talking about the organizations that use the property tax. So you've got even a longer one. Income tax gets worse. Are you talking about corporate income tax? Are you talking about individual rates? Are you talking about any number of people that would be interested in paying something different? Sales tax is even worse. You get into a whole jumble of things. And the committee is supposed to meet quarterly and be done in a year? It simply can't be done. There's no expertise on the committees. There's no way to approach all the different